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## 1. The politruk agent on the Polish MS GENERAL BEM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] His duties aboard ship are to report on any suspicious activities among members of the crew. Kuczman is also charged with making contacts among the sons of Polish emigrants, at the ports where the ship stops, to recruit them for carrying out sabotage in the event of war. His salary is much higher than is commensurate with his rank. He receives 1,900 zlotys whereas his actual rank salary would normally be only 900 zlotys. [REDACTED]

## 2. Each Polish ship has three official politruks. The duties of the first are confined strictly to watching the crew, the second is usually a UB (Security Police) agent, and the third, a Communist youth educator. [REDACTED] There are probably also informants among the crew whose identities are not known to the crew members.

## 3. Soviet authorities have supplied several members of the crew with falsified photographs and documents as members of the Masonic Order. The photographs show the bearer holding a candle in his left hand and wearing a little apron on which appears the sign of the Masonic Order. In the event that the ship is captured [REDACTED] the Communists are operating on the theory that those carrying the documents have a greater chance of being released or at least permitted more freedom of movement in order to collect information [REDACTED]

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